

IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figs. 12B-16B and 18A-25E.

These sheets, which include Figs. 1-25E replace the original sheets filed May 17, 2000.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 are currently pending. Claims 6, 7, 13, 14, and 18-20 have been amended by the present amendment. No new matter has been added.

In the outstanding Office Action, Figures 1 and 2 were objected to as not containing a legend such as "Prior Art;" Claims 1-20 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims in Application No. 09/453,935; Claims 6, 7, 13, 14, and 18-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, regarding various informalities; and Claims 1-20 were indicated as allowable if the stated rejections are overcome.

Applicants respectfully submit that the double-patenting rejection of the claims is rendered moot by the Terminal Disclaimer filed herewith.

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112 are rendered moot by the present amendment to the claims. Claims 6, 7, 13, 14, and 18-20 have been amended to address the rejections noted in the Office Action.

Figures 12B-16B and 18A-25E have been amended to correct minor informalities such as line thickness and character size. In addition, Figures 18A-18D, 23A-B, and 25A-25C have been expanded and relabeled as Figures 18A-18H, 23A-23D, and 25A-25E, respectively. As a result, the specification has been amended to be consistent with the changes to Figures 18A-18D, 23A-B, and 25A-25C. In addition, Figures 1 and 2 have been amended as suggested in the Office Action. No new matter has been added.

The present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early entry of this amendment is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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